

PRIEST SLAIN
IN OWN HOUSEFr. Erasmus Anson at New-
ark, N. J., To-day

THREE MEN IN THE ATTACK

His Housekeeper Was Also Wounded—
The Priest Died While Being Taken
to Hospital—Cause Is a
Mystery.

Newark, N. J., March 10.—Rev. Erasmus Anson, curate of St. Atanaius Polish church of the Catholic denomination, was assassinated in the rectory of the parish this morning. His assailants were three men who escaped after shooting the priest and wounding the housekeeper who was in charge of the rectory. Fr. Anson was alive when the police were called in and preparations were at once made to take him to St. Barnabas hospital; but he died while being carried there. The cause of the assassination of the priest and the attempted killing of his housekeeper is not known, and the identity of the assassins has not been determined, although the police are bending every effort to fathom the mystery of the tragedy.

CONFESSES KILLING.

Man Who Blamed Highwayman Admits
Shooting Fiancee.

Baltimore, March 10.—John J. Mueller has confessed that it was he who Monday night shot and killed his fiancee Miss Regina Reed, and that there was no truth in the story he told immediately after the shooting that he and Miss Reed were held up at a lonely spot near Mt. Washington by a highwayman who shot Miss Reed. Mueller and Miss Reed were to be married on April 14.

In a signed statement Mueller said that he thought he saw a man emerging from behind a tree and, believing himself to be in danger, fired, but owing to the unsteadiness of his aim, the bullet struck and killed Miss Reed, who was waiting ahead.

The police believe that Mueller wished to break off his engagement to Miss Reed, and that the killing was premeditated.

NO LICENSE, 13TH TIME.

Church Bells at Cambridge, Mass., Rang
Because of It.

Cambridge, Mass., March 10.—Mayor Walter C. Wardwell, who has been the chief executive of the city for the last two years, and who was a candidate for re-election on the non-partisan and independent league tickets, was defeated by William F. Brooks, the Democratic nominee. A heavy vote was cast, and Mr. Brooks had 499 votes to spare, the total vote being: William F. Brooks, 4,671; Walter C. Wardwell, 1,162; William R. Eastman, 115.

This was the first city election under the new charter of Cambridge, which provides for the annual balloting in March instead of in December, as formerly.

The city went to no-license for its thirteenth consecutive year, the vote standing 7,774 in the "no" column, and 4,336 on the "yes" side.

In rejoicing over this, the church bells of the city tolled continuously, from 7:30 o'clock p. m. until 11 o'clock p. m. The complexion of the common council and board of aldermen remains the same as last year, the former having thirteen non-partisan and nine Democratic members, and the latter eight Democratic and three non-partisan members.

The city voted in favor of accepting the play ground act, by a vote of 9,951 to 869.

DEATH SEEMS CERTAIN.

Ex-Gov. Holbrook of Brattleboro Has
Small Chance for Recovery.

Brattleboro, March 10.—Ex-Governor Frederick Holbrook, who has been critically ill with bronchitis since Sunday, has not lost ground, but his physician does not hold out hope of his recovery. He recognizes the members of the house, but sleeps most of the time. His son, Franklin F. Holbrook of Boston, came with him yesterday, returning to Boston in the afternoon.

JUMPED INTO SPACE.

And There His Daughter Found Him
Swinging in the Air.

Hardwick, Mass., March 10.—Attaching one end of a rope to a beam in his barn and tying the other end around his neck yesterday, Edward A. Johnson, janitor of the town library, jumped into space. His body was found hanging from the beam several hours later by Rachel, his 15-year-old daughter. The suicide is attributed to ill health. Johnson was 55 years of age and leaves a family.

FIXED DATES.

For Horse Show and Fair at Franklin
County Fair Association.

Sheldon, March 10.—At the annual meeting of the Franklin County Fair Association yesterday it was voted to have the annual horse show on June 9 and 10 and the annual fair from August 21 to September 3.

Appointed by Canadian Government.

Richford, March 10.—The Canadian government has placed two immigration officers in charge of the Canadian Pacific trains entering Canada. They are M. T. Eldridge and Charles Greene.

JOHNSON FEELING STRONG.

Willing to "Take On" Jeffries or Any-
body Else.

Victoria, B. C., March 9.—"Jack" Johnson, the heavyweight pugilist, and his white wife, a former Philadelphia woman, who threw in her lot with him after his fight at Sydney, and Sam Fitzpatrick, who is no longer manager of the big black champion, having severed relations with him, arrived yesterday morning by the Canadian Pacific Australian steamer Makuria from Sydney.

Johnson unreservedly declared his willingness to meet Jeffries or any other man. In an interview just before leaving for Vancouver, Johnson said: "I am willing to meet Jeffries; I am willing to meet any man in the world, and I do not think any one can get a decision over me, much less put me out. It gives me to hear this talk about Jeffries claiming the championship. Well, if Jeffries wants to try and get the championship back, I'm willing to take him on."

"No, I'm not making any predictions. What's the matter though in the talk of arrangements of a fight with Jeffries? What will Johnson take? In all the notices I have seen it is what Jeffries takes. What's the matter with what Johnson will take. I'm the champion, ain't I? Want a winner and loser's end. I don't care what it is, 60 and 40, 75 and 25, but there's got to be a winner and loser's end. That's how I met Burns."

"I knew I could get him and I followed him around the world before I got on with him at Sydney to show the people I could do it. If Jeffries wants a go as the papers say, he's got to see me and there's got to be a winner's and loser's end."

FOG MAKES BOATS
COME TOGETHERIt Is Thought That Neither of Them
Was Injured in Collision Off New-
port, R. I., This
Morning.

Newport, R. I., March 10.—Wireless dispatches report the collision of the steamer Horatio Hall of Portland of the New York line with the H. F. Dimock of Boston in the fog off here early this morning. The Hall was badly damaged and was beached, while the revenue cutter Gresham was cruising for her in the fog. The Dimock is thought to be uninjured. Capt. Barrett of the Massachusetts Merchants line says that the vessel went ashore at Tarpaulin Cove on the northeast shore of Vineyard Sound. She is not badly damaged and the Boston of the same line will take her cargo to New York.

HEARTBROKEN; SUICIDES.

H. R. Helper, Former U. S. Consul Killed
Himself.

Washington, March 10.—Heart broken because his dream of having an international railway open to commerce the fertile valleys of Central and South America had not materialized, Hinton Rowan Helper, former United States consul at Buenos Ayres from 1862 to 1866, committed suicide by asphyxiation here yesterday.

Several letters were found, one addressed to United States Treasurer Trest. Helper was working on an invention and had a claim before Congress. In a letter asking for a loan, he said he had spent 42 years trying to work out the railway schemes and had expended nearly \$70,000.

Helper wrote "The impending Crisis of the South," published in 1857, the "Three Americas Railway" and other books.

It was found late yesterday that Helper's wife, who was a Spanish woman, Marie Rodriguez before marriage, is now living in Buenos Ayres. Becoming blind about 10 years ago she left this city and returned to Buenos Ayres, where she has since lived with a sister.

BARKING OF DOG
SAVED FAMILYResidence of Rowland E. Lincoln of
Boston Destroyed This Morning
Occupants Escaping in Night
Clothes.

Boston, March 10.—The beautiful residence of Rowland E. Lincoln on South Street, Jamaica Plain was badly damaged by fire at 2 o'clock this morning. The occupants had a narrow escape. The barking of a family dog caused the household who had barely time to escape to the street in their night clothes. The fire originated in the basement and caused a loss of \$15,000.

SOLD HIM OLD STYLE HAT.

Purchaser Entered New York Store,
Shot Clerk and Killed Himself.

New York, March 10.—Pulling a revolver an unidentified man who entered the hat store of A. W. Wheeler at 600 Broadway, Brooklyn, yesterday shot and seriously wounded Norman Bush, aged 23, then shot and killed himself.

To a note found in the dead man's pocket the name of Charles Loeffler, Newark, N. J., was signed. The note incriminated the writer had a grievance against the store in which Bush was employed as a clerk because of a purchase he recently made there. Loeffler in his note made the charge that the dealer had sold him a hat of a style in vogue 20 years ago.

WOODMEN OF THE WORLD.

A Two-Days' Convention Opened in Syra-
cuse—Committees Named.

Syracuse, N. Y., March 10.—Appointment of committees by the local lodge of the Woodmen of the World yesterday afternoon and a buffet dinner followed. The evening of the first session of the two-days' convention in this city of head camp K. Woodmen of the World comprising the states of New York, Rhode Island and Connecticut. Fully two hundred delegates were present. Lowry Camp degree team of Niagara Falls was assigned to put on the initiatory work last night.

HOWARD WAS
FOUND GUILTYBut It Was Second Degree
Murder Says Jury

IN KILLING HIS WIFE, IDA

Notorious Trial in New Bedford Court
Was Concluded To-day, After the
Jury Had Wrestled All Night
With It.

New Bedford, Mass., March 10.—William Crockett Howard was to-day found guilty of murder in the second degree in killing his wife, Ida Howard, on the evening of September 19, 1908. The case was given to the jury at 9:43 last night.

Howard was ashen gray when he stood up at 12:02 this afternoon to receive the verdict. It was not until noon that the jury was able to win over one man who stood against a verdict. Howard was then sentenced to life imprisonment. Howard appeared relieved to escape the death chair and he made no effort to speak.

Judge Crosby delivered a long charge to the jury just prior to its retirement. The trial of the case developed much expert medical testimony and it was expected that the careful consideration of this by the jurors would take much time.

District Attorney Swift and James M. Morton, Jr., counsel for the defense, each made their closing arguments during the day yesterday. District Attorney Swift placed much stress upon the testimony of the various medical witnesses called by the government. He said that the evidence of the doctors warranted a verdict by the jury of guilty upon any one of three counts: Strangulation, suffocation or drowning.

Judge Sanderson went to his hotel after midnight, leaving instructions to be called should the jury reach a verdict before daylight. Howard was then taken back to jail and the courthouse was cleared of all persons except reporters and officials.

At the close of the arguments last evening, Howard made the following statement: "I know I haven't done right with women, but I did not have anything to do with the death of my wife." This statement was made after he had been ordered to rise by Justice Sanderson. Howard placed his hands on the rail in front of him and stood silent for a long time, seeming unable to collect his thoughts. Finally he drewled out the statement above.

BURIAL AT E. MONTPELIER.

Following Funeral of Mrs. William J.
Somerville in This City.

The funeral services of Mrs. William J. Somerville were held at 10:30 this morning at her late residence, 193 South Main street, Rev. Edward C. Downey officiating. The bearers were all cousins of the deceased. They were Hiram Sparrow, Lee, Clarence and Aden Templeton, all of East Montpelier.

The remains were taken to East Montpelier and interred in the family lot in the cemetery there.

SLATER—WORCESTER.

Bradford Man Was Married in This
City Today.

Miss Minnie Emma Worcester, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Worcester of South Barre, and John Lyman Slater of Bradford were united in marriage at ten o'clock this morning at the Universalist parsonage by the Rev. Edward C. Downey. Mr. and Mrs. Slater will reside in Bradford where the groom is employed as a clerk in a store.

HIGHWAY TO IMPROVE.

209 Vermont Towns Have Voted \$50,000
to Use on Them.

Burlington, March 10.—A conference of county highway supervisors was held here today with State Commissioner C. W. Gates of Franklin, to plan the work for the season. County meetings will be open at Grand Isle to-morrow. Two hundred and nine of the 246 towns of the state, heard from already, voted \$50,000 under the provisions of the new highway law.

GETS HER DIVORCE.

Bryan's Daughter Was Not Opposed in
Suit.

Lincoln, Neb., March 10.—Ruth Bryan Leavitt, eldest daughter of W. J. Bryan, was yesterday afternoon granted a divorce from W. H. Leavitt.

Mrs. Leavitt and her mother appeared in the court of Judge Cornish, and both alleged that Leavitt had not contributed to the support of his wife. There was no defense. Mrs. Leavitt was granted the custody of her two children.

WHOLE CARGO THREATENED.

New Orleans Steamer Is on Fire in
River Near Liverpool.

Liverpool, March 10.—The big cotton steamer Mechanician from New Orleans is on fire in the Mersey river, and the total destruction of the steamer's cargo is threatened. She has five thousand bales of cotton on board.

Speaker Tom C. Cheney of the Vermont House of Representatives was in the city this afternoon on a visit to various local friends. He is just returning to Morrisville from Washington, where he attended the Taft inauguration.

Caledonia county's new jail has over 70 occupants owing to the liquor raids made at St. Johnsbury and at Hardwick.

DAYS WORK ENDED
HE DROPPED DEADFrancis Hayward, South Ryegate Man,
Had Chopped Wood All Day and
Was Apparently in The Best
of Health.

South Ryegate, March 10.—"Well, I guess the day's work is done," said Francis Hayward to his companions after a day's chopping in the woods last evening and suiting his action to his words he drove his axe into a log to stay until the next day when he toppled over dead. Mr. Hayward was apparently in the best of health and had chopped all day long without apparently becoming exhausted. He had been cheerful and joked with his companions. Heart failure was the cause of death.

He was fifty years of age and had resided here for the past twenty years, being well known about here and going under the name of "Tot." He was born in Orange and leaves his wife and eight children, four of whom are quite small. His father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Aldrich Hayward, reside in Waits River, and there the remains will be taken for the funeral which will be held tomorrow. He also leaves two brothers who reside in the same section of the state.

A POMONA GRANGE
FORMED YESTERDAYExercises at East Montpelier Were At-
tended by Many People—Horace
Farnham Elected Master

East Montpelier, March 10.—A crowd of 150 persons from East Montpelier, Plainfield, Marshfield, Calais and Woodbury assembled in the hall of this village yesterday at two o'clock, for the purpose of instituting a pomona grange, under the direction of State Master of Granges Clement F. Smith of Morrisville. The five subordinate lodges were well represented, also one member from Cabot lodge was present.

The usual routine of administering obligations and appointing proper committees was attended to promptly after Master Smith called the assembly to order. A ballot was made for a master of the pomona grange, resulting in the election of Horace Farnham by a large majority of votes. Mr. Farnham responded to the honor conferred upon him very pleasantly.

Suggestions for a name for the order were made by Harry Daniels and Horace Farnham, and the name of "Winoski Valley Pomona Grange" was adopted by the order, per the suggestion of its master-elect, and a committee consisting of representatives of the five lodges met Mr. Farnham to nominate the officers of the pomona.

The officers then served, Master Smith declaring a recess for that purpose. A merry social time was enjoyed by all, such lodge furnishing food for a "picnic dinner." East Montpelier grange set tables and furnished coffee and cream to their guests.

At the opening of the afternoon session Mr. Farnham was installed as master of Winoski Valley pomona grange by State Master Smith, assisted by his wife, Mrs. Mary Smith, and State Deputy Arthur Whitcomb of Washington and Albert Maxham of Middlesex.

The following officers were elected and installed: overseer, R. O. Whitcomb of Plainfield; lecturer, Col. J. S. Foster of Calais; steward, Will Angell of Woodbury; assistant steward, J. Berton Pike of Alberta; chaplain, Mrs. A. S. Foster of East Montpelier; treasurer, Fred Buchanan of Woodbury; secretary, Mrs. Kate Wheelock of Calais; grand keeper, Wallace Bartlett of Plainfield; grange, Mrs. Lenora Farnham of East Montpelier; pomona, Mrs. C. J. Lamb of Calais; Flora, Mrs. Nellie Southwick of Alberta; lady assistant steward, Mrs. Blanche Pike of Alberta; pianist, not appointed.

Master Smith spoke very largely upon the importance of up to the high standard of the obligation, the advantages of the grange to the farmer, as a member, instructing the members and officers in the work of the grange, advancing ideas for the benefit of all. Mr. Smith also answered many questions of importance. The necessary committees of the order were elected to look after the financial and executive matters of the pomona.

State Commissioner of Agriculture Orlando Martin of Plainfield grange spoke upon the grange as the farmer's high school, and gave a very interesting talk upon the subject of agriculture, which was greatly enjoyed and appreciated by all. Remarks by Mrs. C. J. Lamb, Mrs. Smith of Morrisville, Mr. Maxham of Middlesex, H. O. Dwinell of Cabot and Albert Whitcomb of Washington.

The master of Calais grange extended in behalf of his grange an invitation to the pomona to meet for its next session with them. The invitation met with a hearty acceptance.

Special mention should be made of the work of State Master Smith and his wife in the grange field since last December. They have instituted seventeen subordinate and five pomona granges. The charter members of Winoski Valley pomona grange number 138.

INVOLVES NEW STATION.

Brattleboro and Railway Officials Work
on Grade Crossing.

Brattleboro, March 10.—A conference took place here yesterday between G. C. Jones of St. Albans, general manager of the Central Vermont railway company, and Charles O. Robbins and Charles R. Crosby, representing a town's committee relative to erecting a passenger station on the west side of the tracks, abolishing the present station and abolishing the grade crossing at the approach to the present station. Mr. Jones complimented the committee on the excellent way in which it had worked out plans for the proposed change and took the plans with him to show to Central Vermont officials in St. Albans and Grand Trunk officials in Montreal.

WILLING TO
COMPROMISESwanton Village Would Allow
Butterfield's Claim

IF HE PAYS BALANCE NOW

Treasurer of the Village Was Accused of
Embezzling Funds Which Were in
Treasury—Important Village
Meeting Held.

Swanton, March 10.—At the annual village meeting held yesterday afternoon, R. O. Sturtevant occupied an hour presenting the cause and claims of Former Treasurer W. C. Butterfield who was recently charged with embezzlement of the village funds in his charge. He said that the amount of the claim which Butterfield held against the village was \$850, and after considerable discussion the village meeting voted to allow the claim provided the balance of the alleged embezzlement, which amounts to \$1,200, is paid at once.

Other matters were aired at some length, that of village extravagance being one of the most important. It is hoped that as a result of the free discussion there will be retrenchment in expenses. The meeting voted, however, to appropriate \$10,000 to complete the village's new water system, the notes of the village at four and a half being issued. A village tax of 75 cents was voted and a highway tax of 20 cents. George L. Loubelle was elected treasurer of the village to succeed Mr. Butterfield, and C. E. Allen was re-elected president of the corporation.

VILLAGE WELL OFF.

Milton as a Small Debt But It Has
a Bigger Balance.

Milton, March 10.—At the annual village meeting, held last night it was reported that the receipts were \$9,930.96 and that the expenditures were \$9,930.63, leaving a balance of \$937.33 in the treasury. There is an indebtedness of \$847.65. The voters levied a tax of 20 cents.

RELIGIOUS CLUB FORMED.

By Congregational Churches in This Vi-
cinity.

A Congregational club was formed last night in Bethany church at Montpelier of representatives from all the towns of Washington county and from Stowe, Randolph, and Williamstown. The officers elected were: president, the Rev. F. A. Poole, Barre; secretary, the Rev. C. B. Fiske, Plainfield; treasurer, Prof. C. L. Woodbury, Northfield; vice-president, H. J. M. Jones of Montpelier and the Rev. F. B. Kellogg of Waterbury; auditor, Harry S. Colton, Montpelier; executive committee, W. S. Smith of Montpelier, Capt. John L. Moseley of Northfield, and Dr. E. B. Watson of Williamstown. Seventy-five persons were made charter members.

A banquet was served to 150 representatives from the above named towns. The Rev. F. A. Poole was toastmaster and at the post prandial exercises the Rev. Sherrod Soule, Connecticut's talented after dinner speaker, addressed the club upon Congregational comradeship. Others who spoke were the Rev. F. B. Fiske of Plainfield, the Rev. F. B. Kellogg of Waterbury, Dr. I. Edward Wright of Montpelier, the Rev. Donald Fraser of Berlin, the Rev. Stanley Bloomfield of Montpelier and H. G. Woodruff of Barre.

The selection of the name of the club was left to the executive committee, objection being raised to the use of "Central Vermont." Its purpose is closer work among the several churches. By special vote, Dr. J. Edward Wright, pastor of the Unitarian church, was made an honorary member.

BOY GETS VERDICT

Against Fr. W. J. O'Sullivan on the
Ground of Assault.

The suit of Gerald LaForrest vs. the Rev. W. J. O'Sullivan went through Washington county court in record time today, it taking just fifty minutes to hear the testimony of five witnesses and take the arguments in the case. LaForrest, who is seventeen years, was a member of the choir at St. Augustine's church, and he claims that one June 9, 1907, Fr. O'Sullivan struck him in the side of the face. The jury, after being out just an hour, reported a verdict for the plaintiff to recover \$20 damages from the priest. The plaintiff claimed that on the day in question he had a cold and could not sing, that the priest made motions to him from the altar and presently came up into the choir and struck him on the side of the face. The case has been on the docket for some time, being continued several times.

COUNTY DOCTORS

Held Meeting at City Hotel Last Even-
ing—Discussions.

The quarterly meeting of the Washington County Medical Society was held at the City Hotel last evening with twenty-one physicians from all over the county present. Dinner was served at seven o'clock, immediately followed by the business meeting and program. Dr. O. G. Stickney, vice-president of the society, presided, and papers on "The Physician and Quarantine," and "Appendicitis: When to Operate," were read by Dr. J. W. Jackson and Dr. Gifford of Randolph. Following the reading of each paper there was general discussion of the subject.

The I. A. C. basketball team will play the Goddard semi-team in the Church street gymnasium, Friday night, at 8 o'clock. A good strong game is expected. All come. Admission 25 cents.

BARRE KNIGHTS
ENTERTAIN DISTRICTSuccessful Meeting Was Held Last Night
With Many Grand Lodge Officers
in Attendance.

The annual meeting of the sixth district, Knights of Pythias, of the domain of Vermont was held last evening with Vincitia lodge, No. 10 in its rooms in the Blanchard block. Grand officers and Pythians from all over the state were present and the attendance numbered in all over 150. The grand officers present were, Grand Chancellor W. A. McDonald of Bellows Falls; Grand Vice Chancellor Dr. Robert Weir of Rutland; Grand Prelate V. W. Rand of Hardwick; Past Grand Chancellor W. H. Gilchrist of Melndee; Past Grand Chancellor C. M. Willey and District Deputy Grand Chancellor F. W. Nichols of this city.

At seven o'clock a banquet was served in the masonic banquet hall on the floor above the Pythian hall, at which were seated 125 knights. The banquet was served by the Ladies Union of the Universalist church. Gale's orchestra furnished music during the banquet.

At 8:30 o'clock the meeting was called to order in the lodge room by the district deputy who invited the officers of Vincitia lodge to open the meeting in the rank of knight. The grand officers were then received and the Vincitia lodge officers worked the rank of knight on five candidates, two of the candidates being from West Topsham.

At the conclusion of the work a buffet lunch and smoke talk was held in the Pythian banquet hall, and the grand officers were called upon informally for remarks. Letters from grand officers who were unable to be present were read at this time, among them being one from the oldest Pythian in the state, Grand Keeper of Records and Seals C. F. O. Tinker of St. Johnsbury. The grand officers spoke very enthusiastically of the meeting and complimented the highest terms the work performed by the officers of the local lodge.

The grand chancellor gave a report of the conditions of the lodges in the district and were all represented at the meeting. The lodges in the district are Vincitia, No. 10, Barre; Montpelier, No. 13, Montpelier; Marshfield, No. 14, Marshfield; Caledonia No. 15, Groton; Ethan Allen, No. 26, West Topsham; Paul Dillingham, No. 31, Waterbury. There were also visitors present from the Burlington and Richmond lodges.

MAIN ST. PROPERTY
HAS BEEN TRANSFERREDMrs. Nellie L. Braley Sells Her Home
Place to Thomas Carroll and Will
Go to Burlington to Reside.

another important real estate deal was closed in this city yesterday whereby the residence property on North Main street belonging to Mrs. Nellie L. Braley was transferred to Thomas Carroll of Carroll & McColl. The property consists of a two-story house and barn and the lot fronting 100 feet on Main street and is 200 feet deep. Mr. Carroll buys the property for a residence. Mrs. Braley has purchased a house in Burlington, her former home, and will go there to reside.

This sale was made through the F. B. Cate real estate agency. This is the third piece of valuable property in this vicinity to change hands within a few days. It is stated that the lot known as the "Elden" property will also be transferred within a few days as a trade is under way. If this last deal is made, approximately five hundred feet frontage on the westerly side of North Main street will have changed hands within two weeks, making quite a record in real estate movement for a single section. The "Elden" property is cleared except for a small barn in the rear, as the residence was destroyed by fire several years ago.

BARRE STORE SOLD.

Along with Others in Palmer Chain to
Woolworth & Co.

An important deal has been completed, whereby five of the eight five-and-ten-cent stores owned by E. Palmer in New England have been transferred to F. W. Woolworth & Co. This includes the local Palmer store and also the one at Montpelier.

Mr. Palmer has operated stores in Barre, Montpelier, Portsmouth, N. H., Dover, N. H., Exeter, N. H., and Amesbury, Mass. He retains the stores at Exeter, Rochester and Somersworth, and will open an additional store at Sanborn, Maine, about April first. F. W. Woolworth & Co. own and operate 225 stores throughout the country and will add 50 more within a short time.

Work is going on to-day inventing the stock at the Montpelier store, and it is expected that an inventory of the stock of the local store will be taken Friday and Saturday and that the Woolworth company will take possession at once. I. C. Andrews, who has been in charge of the local store, will take charge of the Palmer store at Exeter, N. H., or the one at Sanborn, Me. Manager Kelly, who has been employed at the Woolworth store in Hartford, Conn., will take charge of the local store.

BUYS AN INTEREST.

W. C. Mackie Enters Business With
Alexander & Co.

A deal has been completed whereby William C. Mackie has become the owner of a third interest in the business of Alexander & Co., dealers in quarry and polishers supplies. Mr. Mackie has long been a resident of Barre and has been identified with the granite industry since his residence here except for one year when he conducted a liquor business in the Soapmill building in company with Peter Alexander, senior partner of the firm in which he has bought an interest.

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AN ASSESSOR
GETS THROUGHA. G. Fay Resigns Because
of Private Business

WHICH DEMANDS HIS TIME

Water Supt. O. C. Russell Re-appointed
and Is Confirmed by Aldermen, 5 to 1
—Regular Session of the
Board Last Night.

The resignation of Allard G. Fay as city assessor was received by the board of aldermen last night, and the letter occasioned some surprise, as it was not generally known that Assessor Fay had such an intention. He stated his reason in the following: "My private business is such at present that it would be impossible for me to attend to the duties of the office."

The aldermen accepted the resignation, and Mayor Robins will probably hasten to appoint a new man, as the work of the department will start soon. Mr. Fay's term did not expire until 1911, he having been elected a year ago for a three years' term. There will still be two veterans on the board of assessors, as Assessor V. E. Ayer's term does not expire for a year and Assessor Martin Riley was re-elected this month for three years.

A number of appointments were made by Mayor Robins last night, and a few resignations were received in minor positions. Water Supt. O. C. Russell was re-appointed for a year, and his name was confirmed, five to one. John Dillon was unanimously confirmed as a grand juror, on the mayor's appointment, to succeed John E. Smith, resigned. W. T. Kenerson was likewise treated for inspection of weights and measures to succeed Thomas Nichols, who refused to serve. Alex. Buchan was re-appointed cemetery commissioner and was unanimously confirmed. W. M. Spear was also confirmed unanimously for special policeman in the Bolster building, as per the request of the Modern Woodmen, at no expense to the city. Two call members of the fire department resigned because of their intention to remove from the city, they being Frank Bartlett of Hose No. 1 and Thomas Davidson of Hose No. 2. The resignations were accepted.

The following weekly warrants were ordered paid: streets \$130.85, water department \$43.23, fire department \$73.86, police department \$62.31, also election officers \$124.90, and Will Averill \$27.69, painting chemical engine of fire department.

Resolutions relating to departmental appropriations for the year, for the purchase of a street sprinkler and for buying two carloads of sewer tile were passed to second reading, and a resolution for a temporary loan of \$37,000 in anticipation of taxes, payable August 10, was adopted.

It cost Overseer of the Poor Shurtleff \$449